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SUBJ: BILL C-58: SENATE CONSIDERATION

REF: OTTAWA 727

1. BILL C-58 HAS BEEN UNDER DISCUSSION IN THE SENATE FOR THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS. MARCH 5 CP ITEM PUBLISHED OTTAWA JOURNAL REPORTS ANNOUNCEMENT BY SENATOR HAYDEN THAT BILL WILL RECEIVE FOUR OR FIVE DAYS OF HEARINGS BEFORE BANKING COMMITTEE BEGINNING MARCH 17 OR 24. ALL AFFECTED INTERESTS WILL APPARENTLY BE INVITED TO ATTEND. CP ITEM STRESSES PERIODICALS ASPECT OF MEASURE WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON TIME. OTHER REPORTS INDICATE STRONG CRITICISM OF GOVERNMENT FOR USING TAX DEVICE TO ADVANCE INTERESTS OF MACLEAN'S AT EXPENSE OF TIME.

2. COMMENT: U.S. BROADCASTERS ARE ACTIVELY PUSHING THEIR CASE AND ATTORNEY REPRESENTING KVOS-BELLINGHAM HAS PROFESSED SOME OPTIMISM TO EMBASSY RE POSSIBILITY OF SECURING RECOMMENDATION FOR AMENDMENTS (E.G. A CLAUSE PROHIBITING DELETION OF COMMERCIALS).

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EMBASSY REMAINS SKEPTICAL REGARDING POSSIBILITY OF

SENATE SECURING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE LEGISLATION.
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